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Title:

RELATING TO BINDING PROTEINS FOR RECOGNITION OF

**DNA** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Reissue Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified reissue application as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at column 9, line 5 with the following paragraph:

--To the best knowledge of the inventors, design of a zinc finger polypeptide and its successful use in modulation of gene expression (as described below) has never previously been demonstrated. This breakthrough presents numerous possibilities. In particular, zinc finger polypeptides could be designed for therapeutic and/or prophylactic use in regulating the expression of disease-associated genes. For example, zinc finger